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Are you and other leaders in your community interested in building more effective partnerships to meet community transportation needs? If so, then apply as team to participate in the Community Transportation Association's Institute for Transportation Coordination.

The Institute for Transportation Coordination is an intensive, three-day training and planning forum created to enhance the capacity of communities to provide cost-effective and customer-focused transportation services by coordinating funding, information, services, and equipment. Participants have the opportunity to learn about coordination models, explore promising local coordination practices, discuss effective community outreach and partnership-building strategies, and increase their knowledge about technical tools and other operational issues. Attention is also given to leveraging federal dollars and maximizing relationships with local agencies that receive funding through federal programs.

The training forum will be held:

November 17-20, 2008 Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center 201 Waterfront St. National Harbor, MD 20745

Participants apply as part of a four-to-six member team formed from a local, regional, or statewide community; final team selections are made through a competitive process. The core members of each team, whose participation is paid for by the Community Transportation Association, are representatives from the community's transit, workforce, and disability service organizations, as well as a member from a senior service organization, medical transportation provider, or local elected government. Other members may be added at the team's own expense. Upon their return home from the Institute, teams are encouraged to expand their membership to include other stakeholders from their community.

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State-, regional-, or local-based teams are invited to apply. Twenty teams, chosen through a competitive process, will be accepted to attend.

When applying, please use the online application form; it should be submitted by the due date, **Friday, August 15, 2008**. You can also download a text version of the application to help you develop your answers offline. Supporting materials can be emailed to institute@ctaa.org.

All teams will be notified of their acceptance status by September 3, 2008. The online application form is located at:

http://web1.ctaa.org/webmodules/webarticles/anmviewer.asp?a=106&z=39.

For further information, please contact John Witmer at (206) 220-7964 or email john.witmer@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

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